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In re Application of
Vesa Uitto
Application No. 10/552,699
Filed: October 7, 2005
For: DRILL HOLE MEASURING DEVICE AND
ROCK DRILLING UNIT

DECISION ON PETITION
TO ACCEPT A LATE
FILED IDS

This is in response to applicant's communication filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) on October 16, 2009 to accept a late filed Information Disclosure Statement (IDS). The communication is being treated as a petition under 37 CFR 1.181.

The petition is **GRANTED to the extent indicated below.**

A review of the file finds no indication of any documents filed March 14, 2006. Applicant has submitted a copy of the IDS cover sheet and a Form PTO-1449. Also included is a post card receipt identifying the IDS and showing a date stamp of March 14, 2006.

The above evidence is sufficient to accord the March 14, 2006 date to the resubmitted IDS. However, it is noted that the references listed on the IDS apparently have not been resubmitted, and it will be up to the examiner to determine if the submission complies with 37 CFR 1.98.

The case will be forwarded to the examiner of record for treatment of the IDS submitted October 16, 2009.

Telephone inquiries relative to this decision should be directed to Special Programs Examiner Steven Meyers at (571) 272-6611.


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